

Northwest MAC Group

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Documentation of NW MAC Decisions

Decision 12
July 30, 2018

National Preparedness Level	Northwest Preparedness Level
5	5

Strategic Intent:

1. **Maintain flexibility in the geographic distribution of Initial Attack resources to efficiently and effectively respond to new starts in the geographic area.**
2. **Prepare for winds, instability, and possibly concentrated lightning as the current ridge of high pressure breaks down across the geographic area beginning early to mid-week, specifically by;**
 - a. **Reallocating resources for increased Initial Attack and new large fires, as needed.**
 - b. **Maximizing opportunities to fully meet incident objectives through reallocation of critical resources.**
 - c. **Planning for limited replacement or reallocation of shared resources from NMAC.**
 - d. **Determining what resources are necessary to maintain the investments made on long-term incidents should reallocation of resources become necessary.**

PNW Incident Priorities (*set once per day*):

<u>Priority</u>	<u>Fire</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>IC</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
1	Initial Attack			Initial Attack always first priority.
2	Taylor	OR-MED	Shulte	Evacuation level III on N. Taylor; 1600 structures threatened. Active fire behavior, but containment line on the south flank is holding. Still problematic on the NW, N, NE and E flanks. Moving toward Klondike on the West flank.
3	Garner Complex	OR-712S	Hessel	Holding, mopping up, and line improvement on other fires in the complex, including Graves. A small island in the Graves fires continues to burn out.
4	Klondike	OR-RSF	Livingston	18 additional structures along the Illinois River added to level II evacuation. Contingency line is being constructed near Agness in cooperation with Coos Forest Protection Association. Bear Camp road, used to contain the Biscuit Fire, is being considered as the primary containment line on the north flank.

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5	Sugar Pine	OR-RSF	Gales	90 residences continue under a level II evacuation notification (Elk Creek area). Burnout operations on the SE corner halted due to elevated humidity. Direct attack on spots from the Miles fire has a moderate probability of success, allowing a continuation of the strategic tactical plan for containment.
6	Natchez	OR-RSF	Livingston	The fire is being held on the N, E, and W flanks. South flank is problematic, well outside of containment lines and into the wilderness. Level II evacuations continue for the Sunstar area (2 miles to the NE), in addition to threats to Oak Flat, CA and Happy Camp the community of Indian Gulch is 5.5 miles to the SW.
7	South Umpqua Complex	OR-UPF	Sheldon/Thorton	Snowshoe being held within containment lines. Burnout operations planned for the west flanks of Columbus. Anchor point established on Miles. Direct attack on the spot fires SE of the Miles fire has moderate probability for success. Level II evacuation continues for the Elk Creek WUI (90 residences). Six residences threatened by Miles and 4 threatened by Snowshoe are at a level I notifications. Smoke inversion moderated fire behavior until late in the day.
8	Wilson Prairie	OR-952S	D. Johnson	Fire completely lined. Mop-up and suppression repair continues.
9	Long Hollow	OR-PRD	Lawson	Making good progress, protecting values at risk.
10	Timber Crater 10	OR-CLP	Goff	Fire completely lined, starting mop-up.
11	Timber Crater 6	OR-CLP	Goff	Timber Crater 6 in mop-up phase.
12	Chelan Hills	WA-SES	B. Johnson	Fire contained, in mop-up phase.

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